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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Yasumitsu IKEGAMI

Application No.:

09/142,464

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Group Art Unit: 2834

Examiner: M. Budd

Docket No.: JAO 40853

PIEZOELECTRIC RESONATOR, METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SAME

AND PIEZOELECTRIC RESONATOR UNIT

CONFIRMATION OF TELEPHONE INTERVIEW

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

For:

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the courtesy extended to Applicant's representative during the November 1 telephone interview. During that interview, Examiner Budd agreed to withdraw the Restriction Requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 dated October 14, 1999, and issue a new Office Action.

During the interview, Applicant's representative asserted that this application is a U.S. National Stage Application of International Application No. PCT/JP97/04623, and that U.S. restriction is not acceptable to a National Stage Application. The Examiner's attention was directed to MPEP §1896 where it is stated that U.S. National Stage Applications filed under 35 U.S.C. §371 are subject to unity of invention practice in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.475 and 1.499.

Applicant submits that this Confirmation of Telephone Interview is deemed responsive to the Restriction Requirement. Accordingly, no further response is deemed DEPOSIT ACCOUNT USE AUTHORIZATION necessary.

Please grant any extension necessary for entry; Charge any fee due to our Deposit Account No. 15-0461

Application No. 08 945,522

Should the Examiner believe anything further is desirable to place the application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

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